



Mental Health Center of Denver

JOANN TONEY, LPN, CAC III

DIRECTOR Housing & Residential Services

JOANN TONEY IS RESPONSIBLE for addressing much of the housing needs of those served at the Mental Health Center of Denver. Her work includes directing 14 licensed residential treatment facilities, of which two are licensed addiction treatment programs. In addition to the residential services, Ms. Toney oversees the housing department that manages roughly 750 community vouchers, 5 housing first apartment buildings and 2 case management teams.

Ms. Toney's work has included working with those who experience behavioral health disorders, co-occurring substance use disorders, and homelessness through numerous nursing, clinical, and administrative roles in residential and outpatient settings.

Ms. Toney has been a visionary and champion for the Mental Health Center of Denver's trauma informed approach to treatment and service delivery. She has worked to infuse the principles of trauma informed treatment throughout the whole organization to ensure trauma informed treatment is provided across the lifespan.

This work has included addressing organizational policies and procedures, developing continual staff training, the architectural design of buildings, and so much more. Her years

of providing foster care to children has only added strength and understanding to her passion and need for strong trauma-informed services.

Due in larger part to Ms. Toney's leadership in trauma informed services and her tenacity to serve those most in need, the Mental Health Center has received numerous national accolades for building one of the only apartment buildings in the nation using a trauma informed architectural AND service design. The apartment building, called Sanderson Apartments, infuses a trauma informed approach to Permanent Supportive Housing principles in its service design and structure.

Ms. Toney has addressed national audiences through consultation and speaking opportunities on infusing a trauma-informed approach to housing first models. Ms. Toney views her work as never done and enjoys continually learning from others and helping others infuse such an approach in their communities

TOP 5 STRENGTHS:

Achiever, Arranger, Relator, Maximizer, Individuation